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SUBJ: USSR REFUSES 20,000 MT OPTION

1. SOVIET OFFICIALS INFORMED THE AUSTRALIAN MEAT BOARD THAT THEY WOULD NOT EXERCISE THE OPTION TO BUY AN ADDITIONAL 20,000 MT OF BEEF UNDER THE TERMS OF THEIR CONTRACT NEGOTIATED LAST JANUARY. NO REASON WAS GIVEN FOR THE REFUSAL TO TAKE THE EXTRA QUANTITY.

2. THE MEAT BOARD WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MOVED THE EXTRA 20,000 MT OF BEEF, BUT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN DIFFICULT FOR THE BOARD TO FILL THE ORDER BASED ON THE PRICE OFFERED IN THE FIRST CONTRACT. IT IS ALSO FELT THAT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN DIFFICULT TO MANEUVER ANOTHER SO-CALLED "GOVERNMENT LOAN" TO COVER THE LOSS THAT SURELY WOULD HAVE OCCURRED ON THE SALE.
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